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Memorandum for: The Director

Subject: Luncheon Invitation to Senator Richard B. Russell (D., Ga.).

1. We would like to extend an invitation to Senator Russell to lunch with you on Monday, January 9th. In an earlier exchange of correspondence, Senator Russell has agreed to come down and debrief himself on his recent trip, both to CIA people and to representatives of G-2 and the Air Force.

2. We would like to arrange a more or less private luncheon between you and Senator Russell prior to the debriefing, which we could set up immediately after lunch, in order to permit discussion of certain CIA Congressional problems. If the opportunity arises, a discussion of the Joint Committee problem may be useful. Senator Mansfield now has 34 co-sponsors on his resolution for a Joint Committee, and Senator Alexander Smith has also introduced a separate Joint Committee bill. It would be most helpful if Senator Russell would agree to hold an early meeting of the CIA subcommittee of the Armed Services Committee, and if he would agree to additional meetings on a more or less regular basis throughout the coming session.

3. During his trip last summer Senator Russell visited England, France, Germany, Netherlands, Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Finland, Russia, Poland and Italy.

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Legislative Counsel

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CONCUR:

Inspector General

Mr. Paul's office informed. STAT
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